

# POLICY

## PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Parental Responsibilities

### 9230 PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board of Education believes that the education of pupils is a joint responsibility, one it shares with parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and the school community. To ensure that the best interests of pupils are served in this process, a strong program of communication and respect between home and school will be maintained and parental involvement in district concerns will be encouraged.

The Board of Education recognizes the vital role of parent(s) or legal guardian(s) in the welfare and education of their children and the pivotal part they play in shaping character and values. Since parent(s) or legal guardian(s) are familiar with the needs, problems, gifts and abilities of their children, staff shall seek to involve parent(s) or legal guardian(s) as much as possible in the planning and implementation of the individual program. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must, by law, be included in the development of certain educational programs for their children.

Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be requested to keep the school apprised of changes in factors in the home situation which may affect pupil conduct or performance. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be specifically requested to inform the school of any changes in legal custody and address of the pupils.

Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) are responsible for their child(ren's) punctuality, attendance, cleanliness and propriety of dress.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures and regulations to implement this Paterson Public School District Policy. These regulations shall be made available in the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) native language, when feasible.

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